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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box: PCT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please amend claims 10, 13, 17, 18, 20, 26, 27 and 32, cancel claims 28, 29 and 31 and insert new claims 34-44 as follows:

- 10. (Amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein said compound is capable of modulating the interaction between a polypeptide which comprises the amino acid sequence Phe/Tyr-Xaa-Xaa-Phe/Tyr-Zaa-Phe/Tyr and PDK1.
- 13. (Amended) A method of identifying a compound that is capable of mimicking the effect of a 3-phosphoinositide on the PDK1 or PDK2 activity of a PDK1 which has altered substrate specificity derivable by the method of claim 1, the method comprising determining whether said compound activates said PDK1 so that it can phosphorylate a